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THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the application of: Masajiro INOUE ~~et al.~~

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ELECTROLYTE MEMBRANE

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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed April 4, 2003, the response period of which is extended to September 4, 2003 by the accompanying Request for Extension of Time, please amend the above-titled application as follows.